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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A petition to extend the period of response for one-month, from December 20, 2005 to January 20, 2006, accompanies this response.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.